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In re reissue application of U.S. Patent No. 5,818,249:

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Probing Test Apparatus for Testing Semiconductor
Integrated Circuits

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REISSUE DECLARATION

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I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in the above-referenced patent, for which a reissue is sought, the specification of which is attached hereto and amended by the accompanying preliminary amendment.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by the amendment of April 21, 2005.

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I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits of Japanese Application No. 7-249531 filed September 27, 1995 under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid by reason of the patentee claiming less than he had the right to claim in the patent. Specifically, this application for reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,818,249 is filed because the claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,818,249 are defined in terms of signal lines carrying both a test signal and a response signal. This is unduly restrictive in that aspects of the invention can be practiced using other test methodologies. The newly presented claims in the amendment of April 21, 2005 do not include this error. These errors and the other errors that are corrected by this reissue application arose without deceptive intent.

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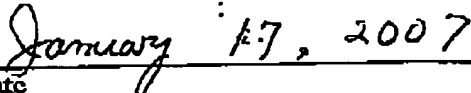
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